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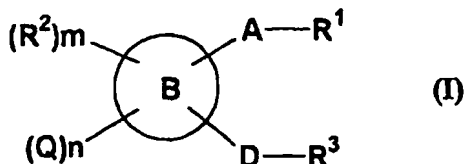
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(54) **CARBOXYLIC ACID DERIVATIVE COMPOUNDS AND DRUGS COMPRISING THESE COMPOUNDS AS THE ACTIVE INGREDIENT**

(57) A carboxylic acid derivative of formula (I):



wherein R<sup>1</sup> is -COOH, -COOR<sup>6</sup>, etc.; A is a single bond, alkylene, etc.; R<sup>2</sup> is alkyl, alkoxy, etc.; B is a carbocyclic ring or a heterocyclic ring; Q is alkynene-Cyc2, etc.; D is a linking chain; and R<sup>3</sup> is alkyl, a carbocyclic ring or a heterocyclic ring, or a non-toxic salt thereof. The compound of formula (I) binds to PGE<sub>2</sub> receptor, especially subtypes EP<sub>3</sub> and/or EP<sub>4</sub> and show the antagonizing activity, are useful for the prevention and/or treatment of diseases induced pain, itch, urticaria, allergy, urinary frequency, urinary disturbance, Alzheimer's disease, cancer, dysmenorrhea, endometriosis, etc.

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